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SUBJ: CURRENT EGYPTIAN ATTITUDE ON ME SC RES

1. YUGOSLAV COUNSELOR JOB SOUGHT OUT MISOFF LATE OCTOBER 15 TO PASS ON WHAT EGYPTIAN FONMIN ZAYYAT HAD EARLIER IN DAY TOLD YUGOSLAV PERMREP REGARDING PRESENT EGYPTIAN ATTITUDE TOWARD AN SC RES. ZAYYAT REPORTEDLY SAID EGYPT WOULD ACCEPT RES ALONG LINES OF THREE POINT PROPOSAL MADE BY KENYAN FONMIN MUNGA TO SC OCT 12. THREE POINTS (USUN 3907) WERE: 1) IMMEDIATE CEASEFIRE, 2) AGREEMENT TO WITHDRAW TO PRE-5 JUNE 1967 LINES, 3) "ENTRY INTO IMMEDIATE NEGOTIATIONS WITH A VIEW TO SOLVING OTHER OUTSTANDING PROBLEMS OF CONFLICT, INCLUDING IMPLEMENTATION OF PRINCIPLES ENUNCIATED IN SC RES 242..."

2. JOB SAID ZAYYAT WAS NOT ENCOURAGING NON-ALIGNED TO SUBMIT THIS RES, BUT RATHER EXPECTED USG, AS CONVENER OF SC, TO COME UP WITH PROPOSAL ALONG THESE LINES. EGYPT'S ATTITUDE, JOB WENT ON, DIFFERED MARKEDLY FROM LAST WEEK WHEN ZAYYAT REFUSED EVEN TO DISCUSS SPECIFICS OF AN SC RES.

3. JOB SAID SIMPLE CEASEFIRE RES "COULD NOT GET MORE THAN FOUR VOTES." ONLY RES THAT COULD OBTAIN REQUIRED NINE VOTES--AT LEAST IN PRESENT BATTLEFIELD SITUATION--SHOULD BE ONE INCLUDING PRINCIPLE OF RETURN TO PRE-JUNE WAR LINES.

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4. FROM OTHER SOURCES WE UNDERSTAND ZAYYAT HAS BEEN ACTIVE THROUGHOUT DAY IN MEETINGS WITH NON-ALIGNED AND ARAB DELS. HE IS REPORTEDLY EXTREMELY AGITATED OVER THREE US ACTIONS AND STATEMENTS: A) ALLEGED OVERFLIGHTS OF EGYPT BY "TWO US MACH 3

AIRCRAFT" (CAIRO 3096 ET SEG), B) ALLEGED PILOTING OF ISRAELI
COMBAT AIRCRAFT BY US CITIZENS AND C) PRESIDENT NIXON'S OCT 15
REFERENCE TO US POLICY IN LEBANON IN 1958 AND JORDAN IN 1970,
WHICH HE VIEWS AS THREAT OF US MILITARY INTERVENTION.

5. WE ALSO UNDERSTAND ZAYYAT HAS BEEN SAYING THAT, WHILE
EGYPT WOULD PREFER SC ACTION, IT IS PREPARED TO ASK THAT GA
ADOPT RES ON PRESENT CONFLICT IF COUNCIL UNABLE TO ACT.

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